



Maui County

## MAYOR'S SMALL BUSINESS AWARDS

Strong Businesses, Strong Community

### 2015 Mayor's Small Business Awards Program

Winners will be acknowledged at an Awards Dinner on Thursday, February 26, 2015 at the Waikapu Ballroom of the King Kamehameha Golf Club.

#### Who can I nominate?

Your exceptional business clients, associates, suppliers or neighbors who have not received a Mayor's Small Business Award in the past. All Business industries: wholesale, retail, service, agriculture, import/export, energy/ conservation, etc. **No self-nominations or County of Maui or Maui Chamber of Commerce employee nominations will be accepted.**

#### Nominee Definition

A nominee can be a single owner or an owner team. Please list all appropriate names.

#### Are there eligibility requirements?

Membership in a business association is not a requirement for nominees.

#### Exceptional Small Business Awards:

Any for-profit organization or individual owning a business within Maui County that has had a Hawai'i General Excise Tax license for no less than two years and employs 100 or fewer employees may be nominated. If an organization or individual has received a Mayor's Small Business Award in the past for a particular category, then the organization nor individual will not be eligible to vie for the award again in that same category, but will be eligible to be nominated for a different category. Three categories: Businesses with 10 or fewer employees, businesses with 11 – 35 employees, and businesses with 36 – 100 employees.

#### Outstanding Non-Profit Small Business Award:

Any non-profit doing business in Maui County with 100 or fewer employees.

#### Young Businessperson of the Year:

Any individual doing business in Maui County who is under the age of 40 as of February 26, 2015.

#### Lifetime Achievement Award:

Any individual doing business in Maui County for 20 or more years with the same for profit business. There is no employee size limitation.





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### How do I nominate a business?

Nomination forms are available at the Maui County Business Resource Center in the Maui Mall or at the Maui Chamber of Commerce, American Savings Bank, Bank of Hawaii, Central Pacific Bank, First Hawaiian Bank and Hawaii National Bank. The forms can also be downloaded at:

<http://www.mauicounty.gov/mcbrc> and [www.mauichamber.com](http://www.mauichamber.com), as well as on the Maui County Mayor's Office of Economic Development and the Maui Chamber of Commerce Facebook pages.

### Selection Criteria:

Judges will consider nominees based on selection criteria, which is attached. **No incomplete or late nominations will be considered. Finalists may receive a visit from the selection committee prior to winner selection. DEADLINE IS: Noon, Friday, February 6, 2015.**

### Recognition for all Nominees:

All finalists will receive a certificate and the company or businessperson's name listed in an announcement to the media. Finalists will be honored at the awards dinner on Thursday, February 26, 2015, at the Waikapu Ballroom of the King Kamehameha Golf Club.

### Prizes for Winners:

Prizes include a Mayor's Small Business Award Winner decal, a certificate from Mayor Alan Arakawa and the Maui Chamber of Commerce, a commemorative plaque, and the company or businessperson's name listed in press releases sent to the media. A photograph with Mayor Arakawa will be taken at the awards dinner and will be presented to all finalists.

**DEADLINE for completed nominations forms: Friday, February 6, 2015 (Noon)**

**INCOMPLETE OR LATE NOMINATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**





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### 2015 Nomination Form

Let us know about a Maui, Moloka'i or Lana'i business that deserves recognition for its outstanding achievement and contributions to the community. The business will compete within **one** of four categories, please indicate below (**check one**):

- |   |   |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Business with 0-10 employees   | <input type="checkbox"/> Business with 11-35 employee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business with 36-100 employees | <input type="checkbox"/> Outstanding Nonprofit Award  |

#### Nominee Information:

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_ Years in Business: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Business: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Nominator Information:

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

#### PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY THE NOMINEE IS DESERVING OF THE AWARD ON THE ATTACHED SHEET.

Nominator to complete and submit via email this Nomination Form, the Nomination Criteria Narrative, one (1) typewritten letter of recommendation from another source and an image of the nominee in high resolution on or before **Noon on Friday, February 6, 2015** to [OEDMaui@yahoo.com](mailto:OEDMaui@yahoo.com).

**Only completed entries received on or before the deadline date will be considered.** Finalists and winners will be honored at an awards dinner on Thursday, February 26, 2015, at the Waikapu Ballroom of the King Kamehameha Golf Club.

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Let us know about a young Maui, Moloka'i or Lana'i businessperson (under the age of 40) who deserves recognition for his or her outstanding achievements and contributions to the community, as well as a businessperson who is deserving of a lifetime achievement award.

### Category (Check One):

☐ Young Businessperson of the Year

☐ Lifetime Achievement Award

### Nominee Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_ Years in Business: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Business: \_\_\_\_\_

### Nominator Information:

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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## 2015 Nomination Criteria Narrative

Nominators, please complete a one (1) paragraph response to each of the criteria below, noting how the Nominee meets the criteria. Please submit typed responses in Arial font, size





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12 with a maximum of three pages. Submit via email the Narrative with the Nomination Form, one (1) typewritten letter of recommendation from another source and an image of the nominee in high resolution on or before Noon, on Friday, February 6, 2015 to [OEDMaui@yahoo.com](mailto:OEDMaui@yahoo.com).

- I. Showing business leadership in a changing economic environment through innovation and further investment that enhances a particular economic sector or area of Maui County.
  - II. Creating a quality work environment for their employees.
  - III. Exhibiting the Aloha Spirit and exemplary customer service.
  - IV. FOR FOR-PROFIT BUSINESS NOMINEES – Developing partnerships with the public sector and community to enhance community services and community life. FOR NON-PROFIT BUSINESS NOMINEES – Developing partnerships with the public sector and private sector to enhance community services and community life.
  - V. Any other exceptional qualities, traits, or community service.
- \* BONUS - The percentage of the company's gross revenues that are spent in Maui County.

